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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the above application is hereby requested in view of the above amendments and following remarks.

The allowance of claims 37, 38, 41, 42, 53 and 54 is noted with appreciation.

Claims 39 and 40 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 with respect to the terms "H2" and "G2". The claims have been amended to recite the proper words "heat exchanger" for H and "generator" for G. It is therefore felt that adequate support has been set forth for these terms in the claims. Support for the word description for H and G are set forth in the specification paragraphs [0029] and [0035].

Claims 43-52 and 55-58 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as being indefinite. Specifically, claim 43 is objected to in that the limitation "the high temperature heat exchanger" lacks insufficient antecedent basis. Claim 42, upon which claim 43 depends, has been amended to provide for both "high and low temperature heat exchangers" and therefore the objection to claim 43 as lacking antecedent basis, and claim 45 as lacking antecedent for the terms "high temperature heat exchanger" and "low temperature heat exchanger" are now felt to have adequate antecedent basis in that the claim upon which they depend, i.e. claim 43, now specifically has the language to support the limitations recited in the respective dependent claims. It is therefore felt that this objection has now been overcome.

Claim 55 has been rejected on insufficient antecedent basis for the term "low stage generator". The term "low stage generator" has now been added to line 2 of the claim, and therefore the limitation containing in the last line of claim is felt to be supported by the claim as amended.

The Examiner suggests that claim 50 be amended to change "a mechanical valve" to "an orifice". Claim 50 has been amended as requested by the Examiner, and is therefore felt that this objection has now been overcome.

In view of the above amendments to the claims being objected to under 35 U.S.C. 112, and the submission of new drawings, it is submitted that all of the rejections and objections made in the Office Action have been addressed and

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overcome. It is therefore believed that the application is now in condition for allowance.

In view of the above it is respectfully requested that the above rejections and objections be reconsidered and withdrawn and instant application passed to issue at an early date.

If the Examiner wishes to expedite disposition of the above-captioned patent application, he is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0289.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

New drawings have been submitted. The new drawings correct the objection made to Figures 1-4 which now include the legend "prior art" as required by the Examiner. The submission of new drawings is thought to correct the objection raised by the Examiner and also correct informalities regarding reference character and line quality.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets